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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

Civil Action No. 2:07-cv-3770 (DMC) (MF)
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#### [PROFUSED] ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO SEAL

THIS MATTER having come before the Court upon the motion of Plaintiff Eli Lilly and Company ("Lilly") pursuant to Local Civil Rule 5.3(c) to seal (1) Exhibit 1 to the Certification of John F. Brenner in Support of Lilly's Opposition to Apotex's Motion for Reconsideration of Summary Judgment of Inducement of Infringement and (2) certain portions of Lilly's Opposition to Apotex Inc.'s Motion for Reconsideration of Summary Judgment of Inducement of Infringement, and the Court having considered the written submissions of the parties, and the Court having determined that this action involves allegations regarding the disclosure of confidential and proprietary information, and for other and good cause having been shown,

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The materials that Lilly seeks to seal contain information designated by Apotex Inc.

  ("Apotex") in this matter as "CONFIDENTIAL SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE

  ORDER" under the Protective Order entered in this matter on August 6, 2008.
- 2. This is a complex pharmaceutical patent infringement action. As such, a significant portion of the materials exchanged in discovery, and subsequently filed with the Court in connection with pretrial proceedings, contain proprietary and confidential research, development, and business information of the parties.
- 3. By designating their material as "CONFIDENTIAL SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER" under the Protective Order, Apotex represented that the subject information is trade secret or other confidential or proprietary research, development, commercial, or financial information within the meaning of Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(c).
- 4. Apotex represented that public disclosure of their own confidential information would be detrimental to their business. Due to the nature of the materials described herein, there is no less restrictive alternative to filing under seal: (1) Exhibit 1 to the Certification of John F. Brenner in Support of Lilly's Opposition to Apotex's Motion for Reconsideration of Summary Judgment of Inducement of Infringement and (2) certain portions of Lilly's Opposition to Apotex Inc.'s Motion for Reconsideration of Summary Judgment of Inducement of Infringement that quote or summarize the information contained in that exhibit.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Upon consideration of the papers submitted in support of the motion and the materials
 that Apotex has designated as "CONFIDENTIAL - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE

ORDER" for which Lilly is required to seek to have the Court seal, the Court concludes that Lilly has met its burden of proving, under L. Civ. R. 5.3 and applicable case law, that the materials described above should be filed under seal. Specifically, the Court concludes that: (a) the materials contain confidential information concerning Apotex's business; (b) Apotex has a legitimate interest in maintaining the confidentiality of the material in order to protect its disclosure to potential competitors who can use the material and the information contained therein for commercial purposes; (c) public disclosure of the material would result in clearly defined and serious injury, including the use of the material by competitors to Apotex's financial detriment; and (d) no less restrictive alternative to sealing the subject documents is available.

6. The foregoing conclusions are supported by relevant case law holding that the right of public access to the court filings is not absolute and may be overcome by a showing such as made here in the discretion of the trial court. See Nixon v. Warner Comme'ns, Inc., 435 U.S. 589, 603 (1978). The Court, upon such a preper showing, may in its discretion prevent confidential materials from being transmuted into materials presumptively subject to public access. Gambale v. Deutsche Bank AG, 377 F.3d 133, 143 n.8 (2d Cir. 2004).

BASED UPON the foregoing findings of fact and conclusions of law, it is:

ORDERED that Lilly's Motion to Seal is hereby GRANTED; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following material is sealed:

 a. Exhibit 1 to the Certification of John F. Brenner in Support of Lilly's Opposition to Apotex's Motion for Reconsideration of Summary Judgment of Inducement of Infringement;

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b. Certain portions of Lilly's Opposition to Apotex Inc.'s Motion for Reconsideration of Summary Judgment of Inducement of Infringement (those portions being the material redacted from the publicly-filed version).

SO ORDERED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_

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MARK FALK U.S. Magistrate Judge